IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Welker et al.

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METHOD AND SYSTEM

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Examiner: Breier, Krystine E.

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 28, 2011

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 28, 2011, having a statutory period for response with a one-month extension set to expire on August 28, 2011, please enter this amendment and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

The one-month extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) and excess claim fees have been paid via EFS Web. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3882/WGEC0108, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.